

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: AOKI, Akira

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For: METHOD FOR CALIBRATING  
COLOR OF TRANSMITTED  
DIGITAL IMAGE

Examiner: Not assigned

Art Unit: Not assigned

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 5 as follows and add new claim 9.

5. (Amended) A method for calibrating color of a digital image in transmission between said systems A & B according to claim 2 ~~or claim 4~~,

    further comprising successive operations consisting of changing a composition of said digital image  $x_2$  displayed on the monitor of said system B so that a new digital image  $x_7$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, a preparatory operation carried out before transmitting said digital image  $x_7$  to said system A, and transmission of a digital image created by said preparatory operation, wherein in said operation of changing the composition of said digital image  $x_2$  displayed on the monitor of said system B so that a new digital image  $x_7$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, and said preparatory operation before transmitting said digital image  $x_7$  to said system A, color modification by a correction value ( $-\gamma$ ) is applied to said digital

image  $x_7$  so that a modified digital image  $x_6$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, and digital data of said digital image  $x_8$  is transmitted by MO disc from said system B to said system A whereby a digital image  $x_9$  having a color substantially matched in view to color of said digital image  $x_8$  is indicated on said monitor of system A.

9. (New) A method for calibrating color of a digital image in transmission between said systems A & B according to claim 4,

further comprising successive operations consisting of changing a composition of said digital image  $x_2$  displayed on the monitor of said system B so that a new digital image  $x_7$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, a preparatory operation carried out before transmitting said digital image  $x_7$  to said system A, and transmission of a digital image created by said preparatory operation, wherein in said operation of changing the composition of said digital image  $x_2$  displayed on the monitor of said system B so that a new digital image  $x_7$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, and said preparatory operation before transmitting said digital image  $x_7$  to said system A, color modification by a correction value ( $-\gamma$ ) is applied to said digital image  $x_7$  so that a modified digital image  $x_6$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, and digital data of said digital image  $x_8$  is transmitted by MO disc from said system B to said system A whereby a digital image  $x_9$  having a color substantially matched in view to color of said digital image  $x_8$  is indicated on said monitor of system A.

**REMARKS**

Applicants respectfully requests entry of the above amendments and favorable action in connection with this application.

Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

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Claim 5 has been amended and claim 9 has been added.

5. (Amended) A method for calibrating color of a digital image in transmission between said systems A & B according to claim 2 ,

further comprising successive operations consisting of changing a composition of said digital image  $x_2$  displayed on the monitor of said system B so that a new digital image  $x_7$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, a preparatory operation carried out before transmitting said digital image  $x_7$  to said system A, and transmission of a digital image created by said preparatory operation, wherein in said operation of changing the composition of said digital image  $x_2$  displayed on the monitor of said system B so that a new digital image  $x_7$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, and said preparatory operation before transmitting said digital image  $x_7$  to said system A, color modification by a correction value ( $-\gamma$ ) is applied to said digital image  $x_7$  so that a modified digital image  $x_6$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, and digital data of said digital image  $x_8$  is transmitted by MO disc from said system B to said system A whereby a digital image  $x_9$  having a color substantially matched in view to color of said digital image  $x_8$  is indicated on said monitor of system A.

9. (New) A method for calibrating color of a digital image in transmission between said systems A & B according to claim 4,

further comprising successive operations consisting of changing a composition of said digital image  $x_2$  displayed on the monitor of said system B so that a new digital image  $x_7$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, a preparatory operation carried out before transmitting said digital image  $x_7$  to said system A, and transmission of a digital image created by said preparatory operation, wherein in said operation of changing the composition of said digital image  $x_2$  displayed on the monitor of said system B so that a new digital image  $x_7$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, and said preparatory operation before transmitting said digital image  $x_7$  to said system A, color modification by a correction value ( $-\gamma$ ) is applied to said digital image  $x_7$  so that a modified digital image  $x_6$  is indicated on the monitor of said system B, and digital data of said digital image  $x_8$  is transmitted by MO disc from said system B to said system A whereby a digital image  $x_9$  having a color substantially matched in view to color of said digital image  $x_8$  is indicated on said monitor of system A.